

Torrington Parks and Recreation Commission

Meeting Minutes

MEETING DATE: Wednesday, September 2, 2010, 5:00 PM, **MEETING LOCATION:** Armory

CALL TO ORDER: by Patricia Fairchild, Chairperson

ROLL CALL: Members Present: Patricia Fairchild, Fran Ducotey, Jim Pescatore, Mike Fritch and Brett Simmons, Superintendent of Parks and Recreation

PREVIOUS MINUTES APPROVAL: No minutes available for approval.

CORRESPONDENCE: To be covered under New Business and Other Business

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS: None

COMMITTEE UPDATES: FACILITY REQUESTS

Request for Fuessenich Park:

- RJ Poniatoski (Torrington Legion) for various dates. App pre-approved.

Request for Fuessenich and Oak Ave.

- Dora Carr (Copperheads) for various dates. All pre-approved.
- Misty Doherty (Gamecocks) for various dates. All pre-approved.

Request for Bishop Donnelly:

- Joe Paganini (THS Class of 1969) September 16, 2020 for Wiffle ball game
Motion to approve by Fran Ducotey, seconded by Jim Pescatore. Unanimous approval.

Request for Toro 1:

- Jeff Gryniuk (CT Cardinals) Pre-approved for 8/29 and 8/30

Request for Toro I and II:

- Joanne Maxwell (Elks charities) Duck Race on 5/15/2021. Motion to approve by Fran Ducotey, seconded by Jim Pescatore. Unanimous approval.

Request for Armory:

- Lim Welton (CT. Bandits) Basketball practice. Motion to deny due to covid regulations by Fran Ducotey, seconded by Mike Fritch. Unanimous consensus of motion.

PROGRAMS – UPDATES:

Superintendent Simmons reported: Whatever program that can be done in person will be considered. Possible babysitting course can be started. Possible Drive Thru Trunk or Treat at Torrington Middle School. No hard copy brochure, just on-line. Possible acoustics program at Coe in winter. Many programs put off until January.

Christmas Village: Vendor for reindeer will be flexible. A special meeting on Christmas Village will be held on September 28, at 1:00, at Christmas Village.

CAPITAL/ BUDGET:

Brett will start looking into projects for spring 2021. No resurfacing of Armory gym floor because of limited use. Splash pad to go out to bid. Elise Besse Pond hydro raking will begin on September 21 with two weeks of work this year. It will be a multi-year project.

FACILITY OPERATIONS:

General maintenance is the focus at this time. Soccer fields will be prepped.

COE MEMORIAL PARK: No minutes available.

OLD BUSINESS:

Torrington's Christmas Committee has met to begin planning for the upcoming Christmas season. Dressing up the downtown area will be the focus. The next meeting will be September 16, 2020 at Coe Memorial Park Civic Center.

NEW BUSINESS:

Commissioners reviewed a letter of request from Club 24. On a motion by Mike Fritch with a second by Fran Ducotey, the commission voted unanimously to table the request until further information is available.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Commissioners discussed the tree donation by the friends of Bill Sulkazi. While the tree donation is acceptable, the Commission stated that no plaque should accompany it, per the Commission policy of not having Christmas Village be a memorial park. The Commission is supporting the construction of a "Wall of Fame" at the village to honor the special individuals who have contributed significantly to Christmas Village.

On a motion by Jim Pescatore with a second by Mike Fritch, the Commission voted unanimously to adjourn at 5:45 PM.

Minutes submitted by:

Patricia A. Fairchild, Chairperson and acting meeting secretary